

Amendment/Response

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Thus the two other guides are installed after the deck has been floated into position so that they do not interfere with the positioning of the deck.--

Replace the paragraph on page 8, line 25 with the following:

--Figure 6 is a partial, detail view of an installation guide and leg as shown in Figure 5.--

On page 11, kindly replace the paragraph from line 11 through line 25 with the following:

-- The arrangement of the jacking system 21 and the guide members 14 is shown in greater detail in Figures 4 to 6. As shown in Figures 4 and 5, the jacking system 21 includes eight jacks located adjacent each of the four legs 6 of the structure. A set of four jacks 20 for lowering the base 4 relative to the deck 8 on to the seabed is provided adjacent the inner inboard corner 22 of each of the triangular lattice legs 6. Two jacks 24 for raising the deck 8 are provided between each set of base lowering jacks 20 and each leg 6, and a further two deck raising jacks 26 are provided on the other side of each of the legs 6 adjacent the deck 8. Each guide member 14 extends from the deck 8 for location, to engage the outer inboard corner 28 of each leg 6, adjacent the two further deck raising jacks 26.--

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly cancel claims 17-38 in their entirety, without prejudice or disclaimer and amend claims 1-6, 9, and 14 as follows: